

HOUSE No. 1249

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, petition of Steven M. Walsh and David Paul Linsky for legislation to establish a tuition-free program within the Board of Higher Education for teachers and paraprofessionals. Higher Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A TUITION FREE PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 19 of Chapter 15A of the Massachusetts General Laws,
- 2 as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 3 adding the following paragraph:
- 4 The Board of Higher Education shall institute, in conjunction
- 5 with the Board of Education, a program to allow any public
- 6 school teacher or paraprofessional presently working in the Com-
- 7 monwealth to attend courses at public institutions of Higher Edu-
- 8 cation in the Commonwealth at no tuition cost.